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MEMORANDUM FOR: Administrative Officer, DCI
Deputy Director for Operations
Deputy Director for Intelligence
Deputy Director for Administration
Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT: Follow-up Action to OMB Requests

REFERENCES: (a) 24 July 1976 Presidential Memorandum on Management Initiatives (ER 76-8696)

(b) 27 July 1976 OMB Memorandum on Presidential Management Initiatives (ER 76-8696/1)

1. The referenced memoranda require a number of reports by us to OMB. The first requirement has been satisfied; the Comptroller has been designated as the individual responsible for the implementing effort.

2. The most pressing of the specific follow-up actions needed involves "program impact and efficiency evaluations." OMB provides the following definitions:

For this purpose program impact evaluation means the comprehensive assessments of program impact to determine whether a program is adequately and effectively meeting its objectives as established (or perceived) in statute or regulation. Program impact evaluations also seek to determine the cost, including the extent of unintended adverse consequences.

Efficiency evaluations do not question the need for or intent of the program. Efficiency evaluations may focus on a given segment of a program to determine if there are ways of achieving costs savings, or a more efficient approach to providing service delivery under the program, or a less burdensome way to achieve the programmatic objectives.

3. We must provide OMB with a list--in priority order--of ten efficiency evaluations underway or planned for completion by the end of FY 1977. Accordingly, we need a list from you of five activities going on or planned within your components that you believe fit the definition and the planned completion dates. We will select from your lists the ten that seem most important to the Agency as a whole. Since we must report to OMB by 23 August, we need your inputs by c.o.b. 18 August.

4. We are also required to provide Agency objectives to OMB on 15 September 1976, along with our budget submission. Accordingly, we will need Directorate-level objectives from the four Directorates by c.o.b. 5 September. The OMB memorandum suggests that we may get some further guidance on this; if so, we will forward it.

5. For further information on any of this, contact [redacted]

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